

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
3:16-cv-344-MOC
(3:12-cr-390-MOC-1)**

ANTHONY WATSON,)
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 Petitioner,)
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 vs.)
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 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 Respondent.)
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ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Petitioner’s Motion under 28, United States Code, Section 2255 to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence by a Person in Federal Custody, (Doc. No. 1). Pro se Petitioner Anthony Watson seeks relief under Johnson v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015).

I. Initial Screening

The Court has conducted an initial screening of the petition under the Rules Governing § 2255 Proceedings, Rule 4(b) 28 U.S.C.A. foll. § 2255, and finds: (1) the petition has not been signed under penalty of perjury, Rule 2(b)(5), 28 U.S.C.A. foll. § 2255; (2) Petitioner has provided indicia that the petition was timely filed, see § 2255(f); and (3) Petitioner has asserted a colorable claim for relief cognizable under § 2255(a). Petitioner shall have twenty-one (21) days in which to resubmit the petition signed under penalty of perjury. If Petitioner fails to do so, the petition will be subject to dismissal without further notice. The court notes that the Clerk of Court has already sent the signature page back to petitioner for signing.

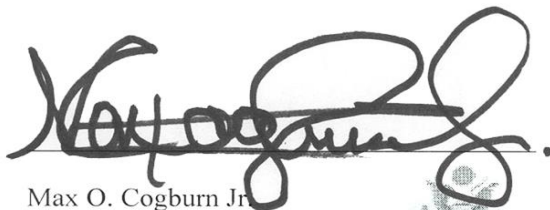
Upon receipt of the petition with Petitioner’s signature under penalty of perjury, the Court

will direct the United States to respond.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Petitioner shall have twenty-one (21) days from entry of this Order in which to resubmit the petition signed under penalty of perjury. If Petitioner fails to do so, the petition will be subject to dismissal without further notice.

The Clerk of this Court is respectfully instructed to send this Order to the Federal Defenders of Western North Carolina.

Signed: June 16, 2016



Max O. Cogburn Jr.
United States District Judge